

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Brett A. TAYLOR Confirmation No.: 9705  
Application No.: 10/810,610 Group Art Unit: 3738  
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For: ARTHROPLASTY SPINAL PROSTHESIS Attorney Docket No.: 104558-300  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

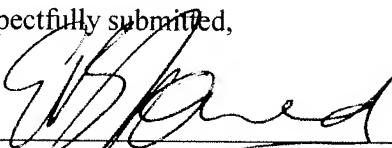
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 11, 2007, Group I, which includes claims 1-41, and Species H, which includes Figs. 18 and 19, are elected for prosecution in this application. Claims 1-23, 25-29, 31, 33, and 35-41 belong to Group I and are readable on the elected Species H. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more divisional or continuing applications to protect the inventions of the other disclosed, but unclaimed or unelected, subject matter prior to the issuance of this application.

No fee is believed to be due for this response. Should any fees be required, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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